September 17, 2012

CLERK, U.S. DISTRICT COURT

Re: Your letter dated July 16, 2012 - Final Settlement Fred in Factor derivative

actions. Note: J&J is shorthand for Johnson and Johnson lnc.

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## Dear Sirs and Madam

It is with some irritation that I am writing this letter, so please take that into account when reading it. We received your letter on September 14 re: the proposed Final Settlement Hearing scheduled for September 28 with inputs requested from all reviewers and shareholders by September 14 - and I put it in our "to be read soon" pile of incoming mail (obviously, this will be a "late" entry ~ if at all). The letter was correctly addressed, so I have no clue as to why it was so delayed.

By the way, I am married and my wife's first name is "Joan." All of our securities are held in joint names. Both of us are retired. My wife and I are co-owners of a bit more

than 1500 shares of Microchip stock (as of Jan. 2009) and I believe Microchip is now also the co-owner of J&J. The J&J stock, which is currently under review, is the main reason for this letter.

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## **Substance:**

There was almost nothing for me to write notes to you about other than the schedule (alluded to in the above). In total, it was a pretty clean piece of text. However, I am in a lousy mood and if I didn't mention the following points, you might have felt you had not gotten your money's worth.

1. Item A. (bottom of page 4 in your Care pkg. to me): This type of a section constitutes a huge trap ready to snap shut on a too enthusiastic writer and thus cause the host vendor some major heartburn. As written, J&J may not have had any problem with it (because there is no real "meat" in the written text) but, as written, there is a heck of a trap ready to be sprung and a Junior engineer is quite likely to fall into it. Did someone knowledgeable from J&J review a draft of this portion of the overall description?

As written, this is an admirable group of words, but, also as written, there is a lot of leeway as to what will actually be provided to the reader. I can easily understand why J&J might have to wanted to be a bit "vague" relative to these descriptions, but this is just too vague to preclude future problems. However, I suggest you use a more substantive description for this portion of the process description (but do not be so specific/explicit that J&J might worry about someone copying J&J's product). Remember, "explicit" descriptions are <u>VERY</u> valuable and often necessary, but <u>NOT</u> at this <u>position</u> in an overall process description (and if they do need to appear, the descriptions probably ought to be protected by appropriate sequestration – and remember, at this point in the description it is better to <u>generalize</u> the manufacturing process than to precisely define it.)

2. Item IV. (in the lower mid-part of page 9 of your Care pkg. to me). How did you arrive at the quoted costs? \$10 million as a unit cost seems a bit expensive, but it could be justifiable. Several years ago (my group at then GE) was involved in developing a very high temperature, post-reentry (>2000F), "impact protection" design. That development process was very complicated and it had high costs, but I don't believe that the development process resulted in unit costs in the "million dollar plus" range but the design was proven to work effectively.

